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09/944,185 filed on September 4, 2001, and 09/956,806, filed on September 21, 2001 are also continuations of reissue application serial no. 08/861,457, and are pending. Application serial no. 08/861,457 issued into U.S. Patent No. RE37,867 on October 8, 2002. *ENC*

REMARKS

In response to a telephonic request from the Examiner, Applicant has amended the first line of the specification to refer to all parent and related applications as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.177(a), and submits the following:

1. Assignee's assent in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.172 to the reissue of United States Patent No. 5,462,120 and offer to surrender the original patent under 37 C.F.R. § 1.178. The above-identified reissue application is a continuation of reissue application no. 08/861,457 for U.S. Patent No. 5,462,120. An Assent of Assignee and Offer to Surrender Original Letters Patent, signed by a representative of Halliburton Energy Services, Inc., establishing the consent of Halliburton Energy Services, Inc. to the application for reissue of U.S. Patent No. 5,462,120, was filed in the parent reissue application no. 08/861,457. A copy of that Assent is filed herewith;
2. A Terminal Disclaimer regarding the above-identified application and U.S. Patent No. RE37,867;
3. The Supplemental Reissue Application Declaration of Michel Gondouin under 37 C.F.R. § 1.175, attesting that all errors corrected in this reissue application arose without any deceptive intent on the part of the applicant; and
4. A Submission of Formal Drawings identifying Figs. 4 and 10 as amended in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.173(b)(3).

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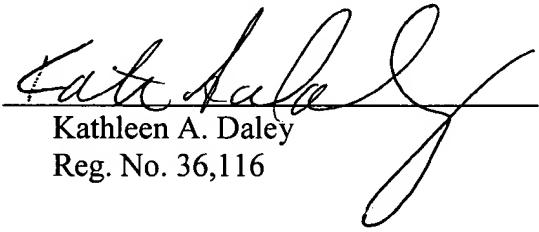
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Respectfully submitted,

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Title: DOWNHOLE EQUIPMENT, TOOLS AND
ASSEMBLY PROCEDURES FOR THE DRILLING,
THE DRILLING, TIE-IN AND COMPLETION OF
VERTICAL CASED OIL WELLS CONNECTED TO
LINER-EQUIPPED MULTIPLE DRAInHOLES

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ASSENT OF ASSIGNEE AND OFFER TO SURRENDER ORIGINAL LETTERS PATENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

I, Richard B. Grisham, declare that I am Vice-President and Secretary and empowered to act on behalf of Halliburton Energy Services, Inc., a corporation of the State of Delaware. Halliburton Energy Services, Inc., the sole owner of all right, title and interest in U.S. Letters Patent No. 5,462,120 and any reissue thereof by virtue of the Assignment recorded at Reel 8251, Frame 0146, hereby offers to surrender United States Letters Patent No. 5,462,120 conditional upon the Reissue of said Letters Patent. The assignee's name at recordal of the Assignment was Halliburton Company. Halliburton Company has since changed its name to Halliburton Energy Services, Inc., and notification of that name change was sent to the Assignment Branch on May 19, 1997.

The undersigned assignee also hereby assents to the application for reissue of United States Letters Patent No. 5,462,120.

Respectfully Submitted,

Halliburton Energy Services, Inc.

By:

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Date: May 16, 1997

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"Express Mail" Mailing Label Number EF 347274256, Date of Deposit 5-22-97. I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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